EXHIBIT A

Metrigen, Inc. July 21, 1999

Invoice No.: 414772

Matter: 05871.0008.000000

Matter Name: Multiple Reaction Volumes

LEGAL SERVICES

(US00): U.S. 0000

APP/SER NO.;

MULTIPLE REACTION VOLUMES

PATENT: INVENTORS:

BRENNAN, THOMAS N.; BERNINGER, MARK;

CHATELAIN, FRANCOIS

06/09/99

Wallace W. Wu

Internet search prior art regarding patent applications by Caliper, Genometrix, and Mosaic; review U.S. and PCT patents

relevant to multiplexing.

06/10/99

Wallace W. Wu

Draft patent application.

06/11/99

Wallace W. Wu Draft patent application; telephone conference with Dr.

Berninger.

Wallace W. Wu 06/14/99

Draft patent application.

06/15/99

Wallace W. Wu Draft patent application.

06/16/99

Wallace W. Wu Review solid phase peptide, carbohydrate, small molecule

synthesis for embodiments of the invention; draft patent

application.

Wallace W. Wu 06/17/99

Draft patent application..

06/18/99

Wallace W. Wu Draft patent application.

06/21/99

Wallace W. Wu Revise patent application; prepare figures for patent

application.

(US00) U.S. 0000 total:

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TOTAL FEES:

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Metrigen, Inc. September 23, 1999 Invoice No : 420255

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08/20/99

Wallace W. Wu

Telephone discussion with Dr. Brennan regarding meeting the

following week.

08/24/99

Wallace W. Wu

Review patent application draft in preparation for meeting with

Dr. Brennan.

08/25/99

Wallace W. Wu

Office discussion with Dr. Brennan regarding new embodiments of the invention; review figures prepared by Dr. Brennan; begin

preparation of new patent application.

08/26/99

Wallace W. Wu

Patent and literature search regarding Orchid Biocomputer

technology and primer extension technology; review same.

08/27/99

Wallace W. Wu

Prepare patent application.

Wallace W. Wu 08/30/99

Prepare new claims; add new embodiments to the application.

08/31/99

Wallace W. Wu

Prepare new patent application.

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Metrigen, Inc. November 16, 1999 Invoice No.: 425128

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10/06/99

Wallace W. Wu

Revise patent application according to Mr. Wolf's instructions.

10/08/99

Albert P. Halluin

Office discussion with Dr. Wu; review claims of application in

preparation for meeting with client.

10/08/99

Albert P. Halluin

Meeting with Mr. Wolf and Drs. Brennan and Wu reviewing

inventorship and ownership issues.

10/08/99

Albert P. Halluin

Final review of provisional application; discussion with Dr.

Wu; arrange for Patent Office filing of application.

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Attorney Docket No. 28690-705.302 U.S. Serial No. 10/602,998

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application)	•
Inventor(s): Brennan et al.)	
Application No.: 10/602,998)	Art Unit: 1644
Appin	ation 140 10/002,998)	Examiner: Babic, Christopher M.
Filed:	June 23, 2003)	•
Title:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR)	
	PERFORMING LARGE NUMBERS OF)	
	REACTIONS USING ARRAY)	
	ASSEMBLIES	_j	

DECLARATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.131

- I, Mark Berninger, declare as follows:
- 1. I am a co-inventor of the above-mentioned application, U.S. Ser. No. 10/602,998.
- 2. The claimed inventions in the above patent application were conceived prior to June 4, 1999, the filing of Boles et al. U.S. Patent No. 6,300,070.
- 3. Attached to this declaration as Exhibits A is a copy of an invention disclosure which I faxed to François Chatelain and Thomas Brennan prior to June 4, 1999. The invention disclosure in Exhibit A clearly indicates conception of the claimed invention prior to the filing date of Boles et al.

Attorney Docket No. 28690-705.302 U.S. Serial No. 10/602,998

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Mark Berninger

Date: 8 Angust 21:205